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\$3.00.  
Overcoats  
CLOSE.  
WINTER GLOVES,  
750.  
than city prices.  
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Clothing House,  
WEYMOUTH

NOTICE

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2, 1889.

COTTON, regular 10c  
- 8 3/4c, on this day only  
ACHED COTTON, 10c  
- 8 7/8c, on this day only  
- 9c per yard  
- 11c per yard  
- 11c per yard  
- 13c per yard  
1/2c less than regular prices

SMITH,  
TH Weymouth.

RESENTS

Wely Store,  
LL BLOCK.

Ornamental Articles,  
and inspect.

YOUNG MEN'S  
GICING CLASS.

JOHN F. DWIGHT,  
and Musical Director of the Dwight Glee  
Society, North Weymouth. This class will  
begin at 8 P.M., for the election of officers  
and for any other business that may  
be transacted.

For further information, please apply to  
his intention to make that a preparatory  
class.

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Weymouth Savings Bank.

Annual Meeting of the Weymouth Savings  
Bank will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 18, 1889,  
at 12 M., for the election of officers  
and for any other business that may  
be transacted.

CHAS. T. CRANE, Clerk.

South, Jan. 18, 1889.

at Bargain!

HALIFAX  
CME SKATES,

IMPORTED ARTICLE,  
CHEAP.

ST OAK SLEDS

Painted in Rich Colors.

LADIES'

ding Work Tables.

Complete Line of  
ors, Button Hole, Pocket  
and Lamp Shears.

ep Out Wind and Rain

Weather Strips.

BAKER'S

RDWARE STORE,  
WEYMOUTH LANDING.

Chas. R. Greeley,  
Dentist!

will be at his office:

ant's Building, Washington Sq.

WEYMOUTH LANDING,

every Thursday,

from 8 A. M. to 5 P. M., and at  
his office.

the Weymouth Clothing Store,

(Near Post Office)

AST WEMOUTH,

ON OTHER DAYS

are in want of FIRST CLASS  
WATER OF MATERIALS, are cordially invited to call

upon G. A. COOK, on and at his  
office, to obtain the services of a

blacksmith.

Descriptive Circulars mailed free upon application.

Blacksmiths in other parts of the town supplied at regular rates.

JOSEPH POULIN, Agent, North Weymouth.

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## HOUSE LIGHTING

In all its branches, is our sole business.

Gas and Electric Fixtures, Kerosene Goods of every description, Candles, Candle Sticks and Shades.

WE ARE MANUFACTURERS OF THE HOLLINGS PATENT EXTENSION LAMP, AND N. E. AGENTS FOR

Tirrell's Improved Equalizer Gas Machine.

Also, dealers in best quality Gasoline.

R. HOLLINGS & CO., MANUFACTURERS AND IMPORTERS, 547 Washington Street, BOSTON.

REPRESENTED IN WEMOUTH BY E. WALTER ARNOLD.

Who will call on parties and furnish estimates if desired.

SPECIAL ATTENTION is called to our Mark Down Sale of DUPLEX LAMPS. Call and see them.

HOLDEN & SLADEN, DEALERS IN

Goods, Fine Groceries,  
FLOUR, GRAIN,  
TEAS, COFFEES, PURE SPICES.

Creamery Butter in 5 pound Boxes, a specialty.

Our prices are as low as consistent with first class goods.

North Weymouth Depot Store. I. N. HOLDEN. W. J. SLADEN.

FOR THIS MONTH!

WE HAVE A  
SPECIAL BARGAIN  
IN A

FORMOSA TEA

At 40c, worth 50c.

J. W. Bartlett & Co., Sea Street, North Weymouth.

NEW AND SEASONABLE  
GOODS!

Mrs. Geo. T. Rand's, WASHINGTON SQUARE.

NEW FALL AND WINTER STYLES OF  
Gent's Hats and Caps,  
AND FURNISHING GOODS.

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DRESS GOODS,  
IN VARIETY.

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In seeking the BEST and MOST for your money.

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In your selection of a trading place?

You say you trade with FORD & PHILLIPS.

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Is the place for the best and the cheapest in the line of  
FURNITURE, ETC.

BROAD STREET. EAST WEMOUTH.

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MINERAL SPRING WATERS,  
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RUBBER GOODS OF ALL KINDS.

DRUGS, CHEMICALS, TOILET ARTICLES,

PATENT MEDICINES, SPONGES, CHAMOIS SKINS,

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Physicians' Prescriptions carefully compounded.

C. D. HARLOW,

Formerly with J. T. Brown & Co., Boston.

It is useless

for young ladies to be adorned with frizzles  
of hair, and tan and a bad skin generally  
in stamp to W. E. & W. P. Thayer, 21 Savin Hill Avenue, Boston, and get sample box of Cream of Mecca and  
valuable book for women.

THE CALKS ARE STUCK ON SELF SHAPING, and they can be  
removed when you are so tired of them, in without removing the shoe from the house's foot.

These calks are stuck on self-shaping, and they can be  
removed when you are so tired of them, in without removing the shoe from the house's foot.

The calks remain sharp until entirely worn out.

Parties who bring me the measures of their shoe's foot so that I can have the shoe made and fitted  
to be nailed on, before the first shaping, will save 25 cents, as I will make this reduction  
to those who give me the measures of their shoe's foot.

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Having secured the agency of the now famous Neverslip Horseshoe for Weymouth, East and

North Weymouth, Hingham and West Hingham, I am prepared to shoe horses with them this winter,

AT \$2.50 PER SET (4 SHOES),

As well as the handson, and others are invited

to call on any druggist and get a free trial bottle of

Kepp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs, a remedy  
for all kinds of colds, and a specific for all kinds of  
coughs, to relieve and cure all Chronic and  
Coughs, Asthma, Bronchitis and Consumption.

Large bottles \$2.50 and 50c.

Mr. George A. MILES is salesman with  
the above firm and will be pleased to

meet his fellow townsmen at their

addresses and to give them orders before the rush comes.

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Shoe Industry  
The Boston Globe published an interesting paper on the shoe industry in this State recently, and we are indebted to that paper for an offer of the cuts illustrating operations in the factory of M. C. Dizer & Co., of this town. An abstract of the article appended.

The art of shoeing was one of the earliest industries in this country. The first shoe was made by hand, and it was not until the middle of the 18th century that the first shoeing machine was invented. The first shoeing machine was invented by a man named Dizer, senior, member of the firm of M. C. Dizer & Co., Mr. Dizer was born in Weymouth in 1822. He learned the art of shoeing in his father's shop, and his master was in the business with a capital of \$50, received for making a case of shoes. From that time until 1840, he was the only manufacturer in the business, and one remarkable circumstance connected with the business is the number of manufacturers and associations he has organized. The first association was formed in 1840, and it is now composed of 120 manufacturers and associations.

Other notable examples are those of John Carroll, of Stratford, and Major W. H. Hart, of Weymouth, who organized associations in 1841, and in 1842, respectively. Hart's association is the largest in the country, and it is now composed of 120 manufacturers and associations.

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The Land of Neverwas.  
There are all those shifting valleys which we used to sing and rhyme,  
With the clustered fronds of the hars-  
When you're a boy.  
When all those young ambitions, framed  
In rainbow, encircled  
With a halo of glory woven from the  
sun's gold?  
Come before her realization, like effects  
Without a cause,  
Vanished in the misty land of the Land of  
Neverwas!

There are all those toppling castle turrets,  
Tipped with golden glow,  
Gay and gay and gay, maidens, thy  
They're their own porters!

There are those serial bryghtons with  
their gorgolies of red mist,

Touched with sardonyx and topaz and with  
gold and amethyst!

They have floated on the summer clouds that  
Never will now pause,

Down below the dim horizon of the Land of  
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—Detroit Free Press.

#### LADIES' DEPARTMENT.

##### Miss Delmas Making Bogen.

Miss Amanda Delmas is one of the most successful sugar planters in Louisiana. She is a creole, and was brought up to a life of indolence until the wheel of fortune took a backward turn and she was thrown upon her own resources. To the surprise of her friends she took the situation by the horns and undertook the management of the plantation that belonged to her. Every morning Miss Delmas may be seen riding horseback with a big sunshade over her head, inspecting the gangs of men on her estate.

—Detroit Free Press.

##### A Young Wife's Milking Experience.

The American (Ga.) *Republican* is responsible for the following: "A pretty married woman living in an adjoining country owns a cow that she thinks the world of. She milks the cow herself, as she does not want her spoiled. Since the cows have been gathered in the box nearest to the stage. During the final scene of the play, where mother and child are reunited after many years of absence, I noticed an expression on her face that alarmed me. It was half fear and half gladness, that she leaned out of the box to drink in every word that was spoken on the stage. Suddenly, as the child rushed to her mother's arms and was smothered with mingled tears and caresses, this woman put her hand to her brow, and, grasping the chair for support, fell back in a dead faint. She trembled, gasped, and looked more dead than alive.

It was by her side in a moment with a glass of water and bathed her brow and parched lips. She partially recovered soon, and, staring about her wildly, asked in a piteous tone where she was.

"Well, to cut the story short, my little wife, whose husband was a wealthy banker in the town where we were play-

ing, dove a bird of passage land upon its towering cliff.

But a sharp-tempered poet sees it from his dream-born shirt,

When he tries to sing of it men neither

have nor pause,

For most men are disbelievers in the Land of

Neverwas!"

—S. W. Foss in *Yankee Blade*.

#### TRUTH AND FICTION.

They were theatrical managers and having met in a small town on the western circuit, had gathered around the cheerful fire in the hotel office and were exchanging experiences.

Stories of attached baggage, missed trains and times when the ghost refused to walk had been talked and laughed over when Colonel Ye, the oldest and most experienced of the party, remarked that he had often heard the expression that truth was stranger than fiction, but he remembered early in his career as a theatrical manager, an episode, wherein truth and fiction walked hand in hand.

Not being much of a story-teller, the Colonel at first refused to tell his yarn, but on being urged, he adjusted his eyeglasses, put on his thinking cap, and gave the following facts of an actual occurrence:

"Perhaps twenty years ago," said he, "you may remember that I produced the drama entitled 'The Little Waif,' which aroused the critics, but eventually proved to be a great go.

"In making up my company it was necessary that I should have a young girl of about fifteen years of age to personate the little waif.

"In those early historic days the child actress was confined almost exclusively to 'Evans' and 'Topsy,' the Howards, of course, led that line. As you may easily imagine, I had no end of trouble in securing a young girl who possessed the necessary qualifications in head and face to carry the part satisfactorily.

"One dreary day, I remember it well, when I was almost in despair, and feared I should be compelled to resort to the time-worn dodge—engage my last year's soutreille—have her hair cut short and dress her in short skirts, a woman entered my office accompanied by the sweetest and prettiest girl it had ever been my good fortune to look upon. She was one of those piquant, natural blondes with a clear fairy complexion, and who it seems to me are loaned to earth by Heaven's kindest indulgence. Her pure, unassisted soul beamed through her bright blue eyes, and her every action and word denoted that refinement and honor which did not come from the average plebian stock."

"Her appeal to the haughty woman of the world were in terms of endearment, and although she addressed her as mama, it did not require the keen eye of a critique to discover that there was not a line of resemblance in look, expression or manner.

"The one was cold, methodical and exacting, while the younger one was the soul of purity, the beauty of goodness and a paragon of sincerity—one of these rare angelic prodigies, whose smile subdues our wildest passions, and whose touch, like that of nature, makes all mankind akin.

"My heart went out to that little queen at once, and I never cease to sing her praises as I kneel at the shrine of her affection to this day.

"The woman with studied phrases made known her mission by informing me to my intense delight, that she desired to offer the services of her darling little Nellie as a candidate for the role of the 'Little Waif.' She said that she had taught her the rudiments of elocution, and felt justly proud of her achievements. The little beauty gave a few recitations, and did so well that she was engaged on the spot and I was a happy man.

"While I had always believed the play to be a strong one, I solemnly think that without that little girl it had natural innocence that little Nellie lent to the role of the waif, it would have been stranded among the many wrecks that lie the shore of our profession.

"The story of the play was simple and touching, and something after this style:

"The little waif, who was the principal character in the drama, was stolen from her parents in her infancy by a woman who had formerly been her nurse, the main object in the child-theft being the hope of remunerative ransom.

Shortly after the abduction the father of the child failed in business, and the nurse, who was married to a dissolute actor, moved to the far west, taking the child with her. As the babe grew up, she was taught to regard the nurse and her husband as her father and mother, and when he was not traveling or drunk, the husband taught her the rudiments of acting. Of course, as in all well regulated dramas, the villain was punished and the child restored at last to her heartbroken and despairing parents, who, by this time, were again wealthy and influential.

"Being somewhat of a student of human nature, I have made it invariably a practice to watch the audiences, and generally had a seat in one of the boxes for a

few moments each evening, in order that I might observe the varying expressions that would sweep over the face of like ripples on the surface of the ocean.

"One evening I noticed in the adjoining box a lady of refinement, accompanied by a gentleman whom I took to be her husband. The action of the play moved the lady deeply, and I observed that during the performance the tears clasped each other down her classic face, as though the story of the waif touched a sympathetic chord in her heart.

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Col. Lovell, and good friends. They have not, however, seen each other since the Concord fight or thereafter.

Col. Lovell is confident that in the next four years a Grand Army button will unlock every door from the President's library to the preserve pantry.

The boys will be taken in. Their toes will be toasted until they are brown. His

stay has been an uninterrupted procession of conferences, dinners, banquets, and such things. He called on General Black, the commissioner of pens.

He fitted like the paper on the wall.

Governor Long says that Commissioner Lovell would be a sudden death to the surplus.

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AT \$2.50 PER SET 4 SHOES,

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Hoof care enough or not themselves as easily with the NeverSlip Shoe, as they can with common shoes. The calks remain sharp until entirely worn out.

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Rapid Growth.

Churches, like many other California enterprises, have a rapid growth in membership and prosperity, the following clipping from the Pomona (Cal.) *Progress*, of Jan. 10, concerning the church of which Rev. L. H. Frary is pastor, being evidence of this fact.

The services at Pilgrim Congregational church last Sunday were filled with interest, and the pastor said in his sermon that the church was organized May 20th, 1887, with membership of 100.

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feature that the largest number of persons received last Sunday was exactly thirty-one.

Since January 1888 this church has increased 118 members,

the loss of them being proportional to the growth of the church.

The loss of them during this period was two, making the present membership of 216.

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Jubilee.

Among the many reunions of the day those of the retail grocers' association of Boston are most attractive occasions.

Washington's birthday, Feb. 22, a grand concert and ball will be given in the Mechanics building.

Marshall P. Wilder, humorist, and the Schubert Glee Club, with the Boston Cadet Band, having been engaged.

The concert will commence at 7:45 p.m.

The trade can procure tickets of A. C. Dowse, 20 Central wharf.

Harper's Magazine.

The contents of the February number of Harper's are choice and the illustrations are superb.

The "Golden" "Mayflower" and "Mayflower" are its eight pictures, a dainty fairy story.

Children in Art School's sculpture model at paper for young children.

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St. Valentine's Day.  
Tell me, you're friend of mine,  
Do you think Saint Valentine  
Can by fortune know  
What's going on below,  
My love, my love,  
My love,  
That his honored name is bearing?  
Can he see  
Love and glo  
Take their February airing?  
Gentle lady, some day, pant  
Valentine a sullen sain,  
Who would give with clouded brow  
On the thrush to praise him now;  
On the love's melancholy:  
But he is me  
To my dreams.  
Strong and tender, kind and jolly.  
Gentle lady, when we bear  
To the shrine and offer there  
Stumbling rhymes and painted gowns,  
Pierced by Cupid's savage darts;  
And in state  
Pain and love kiss him before him;  
Though his smile  
All the while  
On us beans, I fear we bore him.  
Gentle lady, unto me  
Count it not impety  
That I think our patron kind  
In the day some may find;  
May recall  
Our and all  
Of its magnanimist and brittle  
And robust  
Scraps of 'em  
Till the angels laugh a little.

## ANNA'S VALENTINE

BY MARY C. PRESTON.

"For me!" asked Anna, coloring a little, and holding out her hand for the pretty lace-like envelope, with the few touches of gilt, which her sister was looking at with admiration.

"Don't be in a hurry," Minna said coolly. "It's a Valentine, of course, and you shall have it in a moment. I am trying to remember where I saw this writing. Oh," with sudden conviction, "I could swear it is now! It is—it is a Valentine from George Dennis!"

"It is mine, and I think you might spare yourself all this anxiety concerning the sender of it," said Anna, a little tartly, taking it from her sister's hand.

But Minna was not to be crushed. She followed Anna to the window, and laid her hand coaxingly on the plump shoulder.

"Open it and let me see, too," she said, with all the assurance of 15 years, and an unlimited amount of curiosity in love affairs. "He's so bashful, that I'm sure it will be droll. Perhaps he has taken this chance of proposing to you—he never would find a better, and we all know how much he is in love with you."

"Minna," Anna cried, "you are a perfect little goose! and I shall not get away with it."

With that, and with a deepened color on either pretty cheek, she ran out of the room.

It was the fourteenth of February, and Anna had surely received a Valentine, which she was carefully opening in her own room, and reading with dimpling smiles and sparkling eyes.

First, there was a lace-work affair, with the prettiest little Cupid, half-hidden by silver leaves, holding in one plump hand an arrow, with a transfixed heart upon it, while the chubby troubadour of the other lay lightly on the little god's hip.

"A pretty idea," Anna whispered, regarding it smilingly. "It surely means a silent love. I never thought George at all romantic before."

Then she drew from the envelope a tinted, gilt-edged card, and slowly read the printed lines thereon:

"I'd rather be thine own, beloved,  
Forever in thy heart to dwell,  
Than own the treasures of the earth,  
In pale, cot, or cell;

For what would such things bring to me,  
When joy can only come from thee?"

"Particularly the 'cell' part of it!"

hugged Anna.

But she blushed also.

Then she drew out a sheet of note-paper, unfolded it hastily, and read the printed greeting, her heart giving a few unaccustomed thumps:

"My Love—Sar. I have loved you long in silence, because I dared not speak; but the time has come for confession from me and I make it here at once a joyful word. You are so beautiful, so winning that better than I will bring you pleasure; and you must know that I am not a line saying I may call on you tonight, and lay my heart at your feet. If I receive no word from you, I will know that there is indeed no hope for me; and you will in ver' so my face again on earth. Do you not realize my suspense? Shorten it, if you care in the least for me. Your loves, G. D."

Half an hour later, a little fellow was running across the fields, not minding the snow, because Anna had given him a piece of silver, if he would deliver the note he held in his hand to Mr. George Dennis.

And said note ran thus:

"Accept you as my valentine; come to me, and come in hope. Yours."

The evening when a tall, handsome youth stood tremblingly at the door, waiting for an answer to his ring, and wondering what had happened to make him so unutterably happy, the door was opened by Minna, and he was drawn hurriedly into the hall and detained there.

"I want to tell you—I'm awfully sorry, but Anna would never forgive me if she knew," the girl began confusedly.

"I sent her a Valentine, and I'm awfully sorry, today; and I copied your hand and it looked as if you had written it. Do you not understand? She thinks you have—proposed to her; and I only meant it as a joke. But when I found that she had sent you to come to me, I didn't dare to tell her."

Mr. Dennis took one of Minna's hands and held it firmly, his eyes lighting, his face flushing.

"Tell me what was in the note you sent Anna in my name," he said, quietly.

"Perhaps I need not know."

"But I'm afraid she must!" Minna was now almost crying. "I told her you had loved her a long while, and would go away forever unless she could give you hope; and, if she cared at all for you, I told her to send a line, saying you might come tonight. It was all for a jest, but—I am afraid she took it seriously, and now she will never forgive me!"

"Let me make your peace with her. Where is she?"

"In the parlor."

"Alone?"

"Yes."

"Then, I think, my little Minna, you have been the best friend to me today man ever had."

And he stooped and kissed her on the forehead, then turned hastily in the direction of the parlor.

"I wonder what he means? And I do wonder why in the world he kissed me! May be because I'm Anna's sister," Minna said, saugely, to herself, as she darted off along the hall, feeling very much as though she deserved a sound shaking for the thoughtless prank that was likely to be so enjoyed by her sister.

Meanwhile, George had entered the parlor where Anna was, looking very sweet and very shy and pretending to be very much interested in a novel; and when she looked up, on his entrance, and blushed so divinely, George Dennis, who had always been so bashful and individual, did something extremely bold and daring, for, taking the hand she extended to him, he drew very close to her, looked a moment at the pretty, downcast face, and then—whispering something which sounded like "darling," stooped impatiently, and touched the girl's red lips with his.

Half an hour later Minna put her head in at the parlor door, and opened her mischievous eyes widely to see how near together two other heads were.

A very decided "Hm!" from her separated them, however, and she turned demurely, but looking anything but ashamed of herself.

"I see you have made my peace," George," she said, placidly; "and I think I really helped you both by what I did; so thanks are due me, really, not reproaches. What do you say, sister?"

Anna looked from one to another in a puzzled way, not at all comprehending.

"Did you not tell her?" Minna asked.

And George was very red as he turned to his lady love.

"I have something to confess," he said, confusedly.

And then he told her how Minna's prank had served his need, and made his wooring easy.

"I have tried to tell you how dear you are to me for a whole year," he said, in conclusion, "but I never could. I was afraid you cared nothing for me, and would send me away from you forever. When your note came, today, I was almost wild with delight, although I thought it seemed a little strange at first; but I fancied you had seen how it was with me, and so kindly gave me a word of encouragement."

"As if I would!" Anna cried, indignantly. "I'll never forgive you, Minna! What—what could have induced you to do anything so cruel? I'll never let my life forgive you!"

"Oh, yes, you will," Minna said, serenely, skipping to the door. "George promised me your pardon, and I know he'll get it for me."

Which he did, after tears, reproaches and denunciations from Anna, and many and warm protestations on his part.

And six months afterward, Minna was chief bridesmaid, and enjoyed the occasion very much.

"I rather think it was a very nice and sisterly act of mine after all—the sending of that Valentine," she said to Anna, once.

"But for it I am sure George would go on loving you in silence for years—all his life, perhaps; and wasn't that a cute little Cupid I sent you?" I really think—"laughing—"I have a decided genius for match-making."

But Anna's cheeks were very red, although she smiled. —*Saturday Night.*

In The New Zealand Wilds.

We had reached a rapid stream which flowed between moss-covered banks.

I shall not easily forget the impression produced by the sight of this stream in the middle of the most exquisite vegetation. Overhead beautiful tree ferns spread their fronds, almost enclosed with sturdily rooted ferns, the native maidenhair, and the still more delicate kidney fern. The last mentioned have leaves the shape of violet leaves, but as thin as the youngest sprig of maidenhair, semi-transparent, as large as the palm of the hand, and supported by black stems so slender as to be at a short distance invisible. The only place I have ever seen which could at all compare with this spot is the Anna at Eisebach, in Thuringia. But then that is partly artificial, while this had never been touched by human hands.

While we stood watching the stream an exquisite sound broke upon our ears. It was like the piping of those reeds which the dervishes in the East play upon while their brethren perform their strange devotions. This piping was constantly being varied sometimes by even softer but sometimes by more metallic sounds; at one moment the song grew so loud that it seemed to be quite close, the next it appeared to melt away into the distance. Suddenly it ceased. It was a tui—the most beautiful songster in the world. We saw one on a branch a few minutes later. It was about the size of a blackbird, the plumage of a blue-blackbird, the feathers almost in places like most velvet. The beak was yellow, as were also the legs. At the throat it was a little tuft of white feathers, which gave the bird a rather quaint appearance.

Fortunally in New Zealand some of the birds are protected by Government, but already many of them have died out. We followed the stream some hundred yards or so, every now and then putting up a pheasant. —*Corinth Magazine.*

When Millionaires Were Scarce.

Some one has been overhauling the old New England account books and tax lists and has found some interesting entries. In 1815 Congress, to provide additional revenues, imposed a tax of \$6,000,000 on the country, of which \$632,451 fell upon Massachusetts, of which Maine was then a part. Lands, buildings, slaves, household furniture, plate, pictures, clocks and watches were taxed. For every gold watch kept for use \$2 duty was paid, and for every silver one \$1. The lists for Hancock County, then including Penobscot, Piscataquis and a part of Waldo, show that only 10 persons in the whole district owned furniture of value exceeding \$200. Twelve gold watches were owned in the district and 28 silver ones.

Changes wrought in Niagara Falls.

Another fall has been reported at Niagara Falls, Niagara, right at the crest. The falls now present an extraordinary appearance, the view being in the shape of a double horse shoe, the last one forming to the right and centre of the original Horse Shoe. The spray froze to the adjacent trees and buildings, and the sight was grand.

Gentle lady, some day, pant

Valentine a sullen sain,  
Who would give with clouded brow  
On the thrush to praise him now;

On the love's melancholy:

But he is me

To my dreams.

Strong and tender, kind and jolly.

Gentle lady, when we bear

To the shrine and offer there

Stumbling rhymes and painted gowns,

Pierced by Cupid's savage darts;

And in state

Pain and love kiss him before him;

Though his smile

All the while

On us beans, I fear we bore him.

Gentle lady, unto me

Count it not impety

That I think our patron kind

In the day some may find;

May recall

Our and all

Of its magnanimist and brittle

And robust

Scraps of 'em

Till the angels laugh a little.

## LADIES' DEPARTMENT.

### Imitated Cinderella's Sister.

A middle-aged woman went to a prominent physician of San Diego, Calif., not long ago, and asked him to amputate her two great toes. He examined them, assured her that there was nothing wrong with them and said that he wouldn't cut them off. She begged him, saying that if they were off she could wear No. 2 shoes instead of 4's, as then. Her toes were her own, she said, to do what she pleased with, and she would give \$300 to have them removed. The doctor refused, and the woman went in quest of one less wise.

Meanwhile, George had entered the parlor where Anna was, looking very sweet and very shy and pretending to be very much interested in a novel; and when she looked up, on his entrance, and blushed so divinely, George Dennis, who had always been so bashful and individual, did something extremely bold and daring, for, taking the hand she extended to him, he drew very close to her, looked a moment at the pretty, downcast face, and then—whispering something which sounded like "darling," stooped impatiently, and touched the girl's red lips with his.

ANITA'S DEPARTMENT.

It is said that Anna, the girl who

had the two great toes removed

and who is now

the most beautiful girl in San

Diego, has just signed a contract to edit a children's department for a syndicate of newspapers for which she is to receive

\$7,000 a year. —*Chicago News.*

dollars for stories unwritten and \$60,000 for her plays during this year is not an exaggerated estimate of Mrs. Burnett's income. She is receiving propositions from publishers constantly which she is compelled to reject, and has also applications from lecture bureaus to take this sort of work and has no time for it. On a recent week she received an offer of \$10,000 a week for eight weeks from a prominent lecture bureau to read extracts from her works. Mrs. Burnett has just signed a contract to edit a children's department for a syndicate of newspapers for which she is to receive

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FASHION NOTES.

It is said that silk will be largely used

for summer cloaks.

A novel and beautiful fan was formed of a single large velvet parasol.

Pink and black in London's favorite

combination for concert gowns.

The wearing of dress coats and white

ties is largely on the increase.

The one object of designers of cloth

gowns is to produce a slender effect.

The fashions in dress have now

reached the riotous point when "every-

thing goes."

Very voluminous violet gauze veils are

the latest in opposition to the shading

face.

White Irish lace is put on bands

as a waist trimming, even on dresses

of dark silk or Henrietta cloth.

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### The All-Blind Mother.

Lo, whatever is on hand,  
It fails not for the demand;  
Nature oftentimes gives best  
When she seemsn' char'.

She hath shone a shower down and sun  
To the north, to every one,  
Brought me a blight and every bane,  
Dimpled pool and frosty morn.

All then lacked she hath still,  
Near her finding and thy fill.  
Yield her fullest faith and she  
Will endow thee truly.

Loveless wood and lily fair  
She attendant, here and there—  
Kindly to the weet as to the woe,  
The lily fair with her dew.

As the other, and thou clear  
They clasp thy sister mayst not see  
Happy all the mystery.

Then shall we lily get  
Its divines bloom; yet  
Shall the song-bird's gladness,  
With the sun's lightness.

Never lightest mather what;  
All the gild of the noon,  
All the silver of the moon,  
She doth lavish on thee, while  
Thou withouts any smile  
Of thy gratitude to her.

Because she uses me,  
Because her bairns and their morn  
Not her garden, with her cheek,  
And bowed head, and brimming eyes,  
At her merciful "Amen."

—James W. Riley, in *The Century*.

### THE BEAUTIFUL GREEK.

In a small city in the borders of the Black Sea there lived a young girl of 16, who was a pearl of the first water—a marvel of beauty, grace and ingenuousness. Never did the brain of a poet in his most inspired ecstasy imagine a type of beauty more pure and perfect.

This young Greek belonged to a family of moderate means. All the mothers of the little city of Xanthus were jealous of the mother of Isea, this lovely child. The young girls regarded her with a secret spite; the men lost their hearts and repose; young and old—all were enamored of her. The old women said: "Isea possesses a charm, that is certain. Her beauty is unnatural."

The Pasha or Governor of the province had a son who lived in Constantinople. During one of his visits to his father at Xanthus, he encountered Isea. It is hardly necessary to say that he loved her distractingly. In his enthusiasm he cried: "This young girl can only be a human being from the paradise of our great prophet!"

His mother—a good mother to him—was disquieted by the singular state of her son; she questioned him, and made him confess his love for Isea.

Her son told her that the parents of Isea were not rich, and that a large fortune would, without doubt, influence them. His mother promised to make a trial the next day. Consequently the wife of the Governor was announced to the parents of Isea.

The lady made her demand and offered a large sum of money. She promised, in the name of her son, that Isea should be the only and well-beloved wife of the young Mussulman, and should be at liberty to follow her own religion. The parents replied that their daughter could not espouse a Mussulman, and nothing could induce them to change their opinions.

When the young man heard this his despair so affected his mother that she formed a plan in her mind, and bade her son cheer up and return to Stamboul, and before a month had passed she would be in possession of the beautiful Isea.

Five days after, a boat carrying the Austrian flag touched at a city situated a few leagues from that in which Isea lived. An old Turkish woman and two eunuchs, accompanied by a lady who seemed young, notwithstanding a thick veil which concealed her face, came on board the boat.

The commander of the ship had been excited by the resistance which the young woman seemed to make to her companions. He passed and repassed near the place where she was, and was convinced before long that she was guarded by these people.

Something in the Captain's face seemed to show the veiled lady that in him she had a friend, and a short time after, while the Captain was on the lower deck talking to his lieutenant, he saw the lady pass, leaning on the arm of the old woman; she had a calm and resigned air. She passed twice; then at the third time, by a quick movement disengaged herself suddenly, and, springing down the steps, fell at the feet of the commander crying: "Help and protection! I am a Christian!"

As her cries, and the noise of her fall, the passengers rushed from the saloon, raised and surrounded her; but the old woman, recovered from her surprise, came quickly to the bottom of the stairs, followed by her eunuchs. Then an animated dispute commenced—the eunuchs took out their sabres and tried to seize her; the infuriated old woman was before her like a harpy, holding her by the arms and garment. But the commander took a revolver from his pocket and signified to the eunuchs that he would blow out their brains if they touched the young lady.

"She is a Turk," said the old woman; "you have no right to her."

The young girl, tearing away the veil which covered her face, and, casting it from her, cried: "They lie! I am a Christian!"

The face which she now exposed to the gaze of the commander and passengers was the most beautiful that could be imagined. A Greek priest on board, hearing the discussion, came forward. On perceiving her, the young girl cast herself at his feet, saying: "Save me, father. I am of Greek origin and religion; they have treacherously stolen me from my family. Madame designs me for the harem of her son."

The captain, who was recovered from her violent emotion, the instant he saw her, to prove her, reluctantly he must know how and why she had been enslaved. A circle was formed around her, for a very lively curiosity had been excited. She told, in the first place, what we already knew; the demand which had been made for her by the son of the Governor, and the reply of her father.

"My mother is acquainted with several Turkish families, and one of them in-

vited me to spend the day with them. While there a domestic brought me a cup of coffee, which, after I drank it, gave me a violent headache, and finally robbed me of my sense."

"When I awoke I was in a carriage, seated beside the Pasha's wife, and guarded by two eunuchs. I tried to call for help, but they threatened to gag me, if I made any outcry. They finally brought me on a boat, and how I escaped them you all know."

"When the boat reached Constantinople the Captain had the Austrian flag. He put the officers under arms and gave express orders not to permit any one to leave the boat. The young girl he locked in his cabin under a guard.

It was well that he took these precautions, for, as soon as the anchor was cast the young Mussulman arrived, escorted by several important Turkish personages. His mother told him all that had passed. He was furious and demanded that the young girl should be delivered to him.

But the captain could not be intimidated. He left the boat under the guard of his mate, and ran to the Austrian embassy to explain the matter to the ambassador. As soon as all the circumstances were fully related to him, the ambassador came to the boat, took the young girl on his arm and descended to his little barge, where the Austrian flag was waved, and escorted her to the embassy, thereby insuring her Austrian protection.

The ambassador wrote immediately to the parents of Isea, to assure them of her safety.

A year later she sailed on the same vessel with the young captain for her captive. —*Omaha World.*

### A Shooting Star Explains.

If you rub a button on a board it will become warm. If you rub two pieces of wood together you can warm them, and you could even produce fire if you possessed the cunning skill of some people whom you are accustomed to speak of as savages. Nor need you be surprised to find that I was warmed by merely rubbing against air. If you visit a rifle range and pick up a fragment of a bullet which has just struck the target you will find it warm; you will even find it so hot that you will generally drop it. Now, whence came this heat? The bullet was certainly cold ere the trigger was pulled. No doubt there is some heat developed by the combustion of the gunpowder, but the bullet cannot be much warmed thereby; it is, indeed, protected from the immediate effect of the heat of the powder by the wad. The bullet is partly warmed by the friction of rubbing against the barrel of the rifle, but doubtless it also receives some heat by the friction of the air and from the consequence of its percolation against the target. You need not, then, wonder why it is that when I am checked by your atmosphere I too am heated. Remember that I have a hundred times as swift as your rifle bullet, and that the heat developed in the checking of the motion of a body increases enormously when the velocity of the body increases. Your mathematician can calculate how much. They tell you that cardinal is a color much favored just now for children's party dresses and the decorations are usually of cream white more ribbon.

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And give you strength to bear it  
If you're in trouble, you're strong.  
And when clouds of darkness  
Around your pathway hover,  
The sun is shining just beyond,  
It cannot last forever.  
Just try them when you're worried  
By each petty care and strife,  
By each little aggravation  
Of your common daily life.  
When angry words are rising,  
And that you're feeling rather,  
And in a thinking mood, pick up,  
And tie a knot to bother  
You'll find these words like a knife,  
Each twisted knot to sever;  
Then straighten out each tangle with  
"It can't last forever."

Or if some great disaster . . .

Like a cyclone sweep your sky,  
And stunned and helpless with the shock  
Beneath the wreck you lie,  
Recovering comes

The darkest night a morning,  
An end the longest way;

Then take these words to cheer you,  
You'll find them like a lever

To raise your sinking spirits up,

"It cannot last forever."

*Lillian M. Alexander in Once a Week.*

## MY MOTHER'S HYMN.

BY W. H. S. ATKINSON.

What an unconsciously long time seems to have elapsed since the old days on the far-away homestead in the Berkshires Hills! How the years have dragged themselves along, so that, although I have several more birthdays to come to me (if I live in the "twenties," I seem to be already an old man, when I think upon the farm and mother and the old meeting-house and all the sweet memories of the time when I was a boy and knew nothing—absolutely nothing—of sorrow and trouble and hard knocks.

Even to-day when, young as I am, I have to confess myself worn and weary, battered, bruised and broken, scarred and seared by contact with all the roughness, the rudeness, the dirt, the grime, the sin and the heartlessness of the world—even yet I bless God for the halo of goodness which has followed me, in all my wanderings, from my Massachusetts home.

I was the youngest of the merry youngsters who had grown up under our family roof-tree, to youth and manhood, and was the last to break away from the comparative quiet of New England for the bustle and hurly-burly of the great west.

My two brothers were full-grown men while I was a small boy, attending our village school, and nothing could keep them at home when the gold excitement broke out in the Black Hills. After they went away my mother and father never saw them more. The next events of importance in our family were the weddings of my two sisters, following in rapid succession.

Then, more than ever, I became my mother's companion and might have remained so, perchance, to this day had not death claimed her and father for us both within a few short weeks of each other.

Father was a good man, and I always loved, honored and respected him, but to me I think, now, I am certain, he was never as dear as mother—and I felt this the more during the few short weeks that his mother lingered after his death.

How she liked to have me sit by her bedside and read to her—sometimes from one of Dickens' masterpieces and sometimes from her well-used Bible! How it pleased her when I would sing (as a boy, I believe I had a pleasant musical voice) one of her favorite songs or a hymn from the little brown covered hymnbook! How contented she was, on the day that she passed away, to have me place my hand in hers while she whispered her farewell words, "Give me the hymnbook, Rod," she said towards the last. I gave it to her and watched her with as much tenderness as she were from one of the pages—worn so thin and much soiled by constant handling.

"Keep it, Rod, my boy; keep it always, and when you are a man read it and sing it—it is your mother's favorite hymn."—Detroit Free Press.

old bluff game, judge, an' I guess it won't wash with this gang!"

But just then a tall, broad-shouldered man—a stranger, entered the saloon. He had heard my appeal and had also heard the rough words of the miner who had last spoken.

"By the court's leave," said the new arrival, "I am an old regulator, judge, and think the young fellow ought to have his say, whatever it is."

"Good," came from the lips of the judge; go on my lad."

"I was going to say, judge, that I have a little scrap of paper—not much account, certainly, to anybody but myself; but my dead mother gave it to me and I've treasured it ten years. It isn't scriptural, but it's mighty near it, and I couldn't say anything more solemnly than what I would say with my right hand on this torn from my mother's hymn book. Judge, I am innocent!"

"Gentlemen of the jury, what do you say? Is the prisoner guilty or not guilty?"

"Guilty!" came from a score of throats.

Now I was not greatly afraid of death, though I would have preferred to live, and anyone did not particularly fancy death by means of a hempen rope. I felt that I was hardly prepared to die, for I had of late given very little thought to religion and to the teaching of my earlier life. So it was not any morbid and false notion of religion, nor yet the promptings of fear which led me to make a last request of my persecutors.

"Judge," I said, "I should like you to grant me a last request before you pass sentence. On this scrap of paper there is a hymn, which I have a fancy to hear sung before you begin business. Jerry Davis, there, can play and knows all the church tunes. I'd like him to play and sing this one. And, judge, ask the boys that don't want to hear it to step outside, because I shouldn't like to see them poking fun at it."

"Boys, you hear," said the judge, and strangely enough there was absolute silence, while not a man left the room.

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Jerry Davis took the little torn page, struck a chord or two, and then commenced to sing in his rich tenor voice:

"There is a fountain filled with blood,  
Drawn from Immortal veins,  
And from these gushing streams the flood  
Low all their guilty stains."

"The dying thief rejoiced to see  
That fountain in his day."

And there I lay, though vile as he,  
Wash all my sins away."

Somewhat, Jerry Davis' voice weakened and gradually he could not finish the hymn, which must have been familiar to many a hardened man in that strange company. As for me I was sobbing violently—not so much moved by the words of the hymn as by the sadly sweet memories which it brought to me. There was absolute silence, while not a man left the room.

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